

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appellant: Hachiya et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATIC SENDING OF E-MAIL AND  
AUTOMATIC SENDING CONTROL PROGRAM SUPPLYING MEDIUM

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 11, 2000, please amend the  
above identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

1. (Twice Amended) A method for automatic control of the transmission of an  
E-mail,

wherein a plurality of agent parameters controlling the behavior of an agent  
delivering an E-mail are appended to the main mail text having an appended mail  
header, the agent parameters are responsive to a send command designating the  
transmission of the E-mail for transmission to a recipient;

wherein the agent parameters are modified responsive to the contents of  
experiences reflecting the operating hysteresis for the agent; and further

wherein an E-mail of a pre-set illustrative sentence is sent by said agent to [the  
recipient] a user of the agent based on said agent parameters.

